

HABS No. SC-331

Bethesda Presbyterian Church
Dekalb & Market Sts.
Camden
Kershaw County
South Carolina

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PHOTDGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE South Carolina	COUNTY Kershaw	TOWN OR VICINITY Camden
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Bethesda Presbyterian Church		HABS NO. SC-331
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Dekalb & Market Streets		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1820-1822	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Robert Mills	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Early 19th century church in South Carolina.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular, approx. 42' x 60' with 10' front portico (south) and 9' rear portico (north)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Tower with spire, Doric front portico, 2 bay rear portico, wooden symmetrical "scissors" stairs leading to balcony entrances		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Original locks and brass door knobs		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Various memorial tablets and plates are found within the church. Many of these names are linked to prominent residents of South Carolina.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
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